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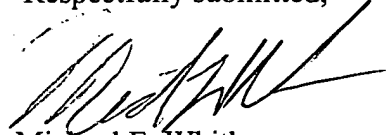
Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 through 1.98 and pursuant to applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicant respectfully brings the following documents, cited for the above-identified patent application and listed on the attached forms PTO-1449, to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application. The attached are copies of English language abstracts of Japanese language patent references previously filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Copies of the listed documents are provided herewith for the convenience of the Examiner.

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It is respectfully requested that the listed references be formally made of record in the application. Given that the references have been previously submitted, no fee should be due for consideration of the abstracts; however, if any fees are due the Commissioner is authorized to charge Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-2041.

Respectfully submitted,

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